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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF OREGON  
PORTLAND DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**3:24-cr-00213-MO**

**v.**

**INDICTMENT**

**JAMES PAUL ARNOLD,**

**21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(A)**

**18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)**

**Defendant.**

**Forfeiture Allegations**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:**

**COUNT 1**

**(Possession with the Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine)**

**(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(A))**

On or about May 8, 2024, within the District of Oregon, defendant **JAMES PAUL ARNOLD** did knowingly possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance;

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(A).

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**COUNT 2**  
**(Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime)**  
**(18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A) and 924(c)(1)(A)(i))**

On or about May 8, 2024, within the District of Oregon, defendant **James Paul Arnold**, did knowingly possess a Smith and Wesson M&P, 9mm handgun, bearing serial number HRX6487, in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit: Possession with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1), (as alleged in Count 1);

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)(1)(A) and 924(c)(1)(A)(i).

**FIRST FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Controlled Substance Offense)**

Upon conviction of the offense in Count 1, defendant **JAMES PAUL ARNOLD** shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, any property constituting, or derived from, proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the aforesaid violations and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of said violations.

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**SECOND FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Firearm Offense)**

Upon conviction of the offense in Count 2, defendant **JAMES PAUL ARNOLD** shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), the firearms and ammunition involved in that offense, and the associated ammunition.

Dated: June 4, 2024.

A TRUE BILL.

  
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